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The Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

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Petition to Revive Abandoned Application under 37 CFR 1.137(b)

The Applicant, through the undersigned attorney, hereby petitions the commissioner to revive the above-identified U.S. Patent Application under 37 CFR 1.137(b). A Notice of Abandonment has not been received but is anticipated to be for failure to submit Missing Parts within the allowed time.

Attached to this Petition is an Extension of Time and the response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application dated April 27, 2001.

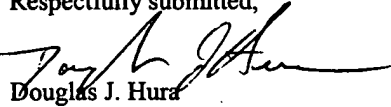
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A Terminal Disclaimer and Fee as set forth in 37 CFR 1.321 dedicating to the public a terminal part of the term of any patent granted on this application equal to the period of abandonment of the application is also enclosed.

The entire delay in filing the required reply, namely Missing Parts, from the due date until the filing of this position was unintentional.

The Office is respectfully requested to accept Missing Parts in this case, and to pass the present application to prosecution. Should any further information be required, the undersigned attorney would welcome a telephone call.

Respectfully submitted,


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